

6TH GRADE NEWS

All scholars and parents -- make sure you are checking Powerschool regularly and monitor grades.

SOCIAL STUDIES

This month, scholars will continue to research one of the 7 characteristics that build a civilization on an assigned ancient civilization. They will be sharing their findings as "anthropologists" to their group and creating a group presentation to share their findings with other "anthropologists" at a conference in class. Scholars are focused on note-taking and citation skills, as well as cooperative group-work skills. Ancient civilizations include: Ancient Egypt, Indus Valley, Ancient China, and the Aztecs, Incas, and Mayas. Ms. Casorso, JMA's Media Specialist, has provided us resources from the Media Center to assist with information gathering, the process for creating a Bibliography online using EasyBib, and how to take notes using symbols. Projects will be due in early November. Following the project, scholars will revisit Ancient Egypt, Ancient India, and Ancient China to re-loop the important content and spend some additional time reviewing key concepts such as writing systems, technologies, government systems, culture, and the Caste System. We will work on BlendSpace, a blended learning platform, to study the Aztecs, Incas, and Mayas. Scholars will review information on these 6 civilizations and take their next interim test in early December. After the test, we will shift our focus to classical civilizations such as Greece and Rome.

MATH

The 6TH grade math web page is www.jma6math.weebly.com. Scholars should be working on the November homework calendar throughout the month. The suggested pacing is 1 problem a night. The calendar is due Monday, December 1st. Scholars will be bringing home NC Checkin data soon. The second IB project will begin on December 1st and is due December 8th. This is an at home project.

ELA

6th grade ELA scholars just wrapped up their unit on genres. All scholars should have completed an IB performance task about one genre and how it helped readers understand Polynesian culture. This month, scholars will focus on annotating and close reading text as we prepare for our next unit. The upcoming unit will be interdisciplinary with science. All scholars need to purchase a copy of Hidden Figures: YOUNG READERS EDITION. Please purchase this by 11/13 -- a link to purchase it on Amazon is posted on Mrs. Crismore's website (crismoreclassroom.weebly.com), as well as the correct ISBN number. The novel can also be purchased through retailers such as Barnes & Noble, Books-a-Million, or your local bookstore. Again, make sure it is the YOUNG READERS EDITION!

